

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1089

By McDaniel

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Johnny Clyde Berry upon the celebration of his 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Clyde Berry will celebrate his 100th birthday on May 1, 2004, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Berry is a distinguished civic leader who has earned great respect and admiration through his many endeavors; he is also a devoted family man who is most thankful for the great love and companionship that he shares with his family; and

WHEREAS, he has a diverse work history, indicating the tremendous impact he has had and continues to have in his community in innumerable ways; before retiring nearly 25 years ago, Johnny Clyde Berry worked as a farmer, Chrysler Car Assembler, Grocery Store Owner and Operator, Sawmill Owner and Operator, Carpenter, and Furniture Manufacturing Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, he has been a dedicated and consummate public servant, serving as Deputy Sheriff, Constable, and Political Campaign Volunteer for more than fifty years; and

WHEREAS, born on May 1, 1904, in Wayne County, Tennessee, Johnny Clyde Berry is a lifelong resident of the Volunteer State; and

WHEREAS, evincing the highest level of integrity and probity in all of his endeavors, one of his greatest legacies can be witnessed in his family; Mr. Berry has eight devoted children, 19 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren, and ten great-great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, joining in the celebration of this monumental milestone, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize Johnny Clyde Berry on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby join the family and friends of Johnny Clyde Berry in celebrating his 100th birthday, express our deepest thanks to Mr. Berry for his invaluable contributions to Tennessee, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.